



# ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

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Member of Knox Deanery

28th February, 2021

Second Sunday of Lent - Year B

**MASS TIMES (Details on Page 3)**



Wednesday 3 March, **No Mass Thursday 4 March** & Friday 5 March at 9.15am

Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.30am

Reconciliation by appointment (contact Fr Mark or Parish Office)

## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

In a spirit of Pastoral Outreach of St. Jude's Parish, we, the people of the parish, are called to "Serve the Lord with Joy". We respect diversity and welcome all who choose to belong to our community. By sharing our gifts and resources generously, we support and encourage all people who come our way. Let all our voices be heard in a spirit of openness that fosters ongoing communication across our Parish.

None of us were alive in 1891, 120 years ago, but that year, on the 15th May, Pope Leo XIII document 'Rerum Novarum' which means 'On the Dignity of Work' was published. After the Gospels, it really is the foundational document of Catholic Social Teaching, or Social Justice. I thought back to the document this week when the Federal Government announced an increase to the Jobseeker payment of just \$3.57 per day which is \$50 per fortnight. A couple of the principles of the Papal document are worthy of consideration. It spoke of the importance of the 'dignity of work', and that's the work of ALL, and of the need for just wages, amongst other things. Sadly there has existed in this country, certainly amongst some, and for a long while, an attitude which says the worker is of lesser value or significance than others. That hardly equates with the Christian principle of the 'dignity of the human person'. The National President of the St Vincent de Paul Society, Claire Victory, said in response the Government's announcement: "Twenty-five dollars a week (increase) is an inadequate response to the poverty experienced by people forced to survive on unemployment benefits. The rhetoric that the best form of income support is a job is unpalatable, especially when there remains nine applicants looking for a job or increased hours for every job advertised." And Jesuit Social Services Chief Executive, Julie Edwards, said: "(This increase) will continue to keep Jobseeker recipients below the poverty line and mean that they will be forced to struggle for essentials that every Australian needs, such as housing, food and medication. This does not allow people to lead a dignified life and does not give them the opportunities they need to flourish and reach their potential."

Very sad, it seems to me.

Mark



### OUR PARISH OFFICE

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### SERVICES & CONTACTS

|                                |  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| <b>Community Centre</b>        |  |
| Parish Office                  | 9763 7302  |
| <b>Fitness Class</b>           |  |
| Pam Jess                       | 0419 555 694   |
| <b>Liturgy Group</b>           |  |
| Leon Raj                       | <a href="mailto:liturgy.stjudes@gmail.com">liturgy.stjudes@gmail.com</a>   |
| <b>St. Vincent De Paul</b>     |  |
| Carmel Quiney                  | 0400 485 874   |
| <b>Tennis Club</b>             |  |
| Vito Trifilo                   | 0447 044 920   |
| <b>Bible Study</b>             |  |
| Xavier David                   | 0400 757 350   |
| <b>Parish Pastoral Council</b> |  |
|                                | <a href="mailto:pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com">pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com</a> |

### PARISH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

|                                       |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| <u>St. Jude's Primary</u>             |           |
| Mr Tim McMullen                       | 8761 9600 |
| <u>Holy Trinity Primary</u>           |           |
| Mr John Downie                        | 9801 8296 |
| <u>St Mary's College for the Deaf</u> |           |
| Ms. Amanda Purcell                    | 9800 2733 |
| <u>Mater Christi College</u>          |           |
| Ms Maria Haggett                      | 9754 6611 |
| <u>St. Joseph's College</u>           |           |
| Ms Cathy Livingston                   | 9758 2000 |

## Serve the Lord with Joy

### 1st Reading—Genesis 22:1-2 9-13 15-18

God put Abraham to the test. 'Abraham, Abraham,' he called. 'Here I am' he replied. 'Take your son,' God said 'your only child Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering, on a mountain I will point out to you.'

When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there, and arranged the wood. Then he bound his son Isaac and put him on the altar on top of the wood. Abraham stretched out his hand and seized the knife to kill his son.

But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. 'Abraham, Abraham' he said. 'I am here' he replied. 'Do not raise your hand against the boy' the angel said. 'Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son.' Then looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Abraham took the ram and offered it as a burnt offering in place of his son.

The angel of the Lord called Abraham a second time from heaven. 'I swear by my own self—it is the Lord who speaks—because you have done this, because you have not refused me your son, your only son, I will shower blessings on you, I will make your descendants as many as the stars of heaven and the grains of sand on the seashore. Your descendants shall gain possession of the gates of your enemies. All the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by your descendants, as a reward for your obedience.'

### 2nd Reading—Romans 8:31-34

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us—he rose from the dead, and there at God's right hand he stands and pleads for us.

### Gospel—Mark 9:2-10

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Rabbi,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Then suddenly, when they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain he warned them to tell no one what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They observed the warning faithfully, though among themselves they discussed what 'rising from the dead' could mean.



**Margaret** is a teacher at a vocational school for deaf students in the Solomon Islands that suffered long-term water shortages and damage from Tropical Cyclone Harold. With Caritas Australia's support, Margaret's school installed water tanks, repaired cyclone damage and implemented COVID-19 prevention measures, and is now planning to boost food security.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and help people living with disabilities in the Solomon Islands gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to protect our common home.

**You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.**



**Serve the Lord with Joy**

**Lent, Reconciliation and Stations of the Cross**

Lent offers an invitation to actively reorientate ourselves to God, because for Christians, God—and the one who was so loved, Jesus—is the heart and the soul of life.



During this time of Lent, we are able to think more deeply about God and about how we are responding to God’s call in our daily lives. Last weekend, Fr Mark challenged us to “repent and believe in the gospel”. As Catholics, we can celebrate the call to repentance through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Please join us for a **Reconciliation Liturgy** that will be held on **Wednesday 10 March at 7.30pm**.

A reminder that we will also have **Stations of the Cross** every **Friday evening at 7.30pm**. **If you are able to offer any assistance with the coordination of this please see Fr Mark.**

**Important – Registering for Masses**

A reminder that the parish must still meet the government’s contact tracing requirements for religious gathering and registration is required for each Mass attended. **You can assist us greatly by pre-registering for the weekend Mass you wish to attend using one of the methods below:**



Directly at trybooking (<https://www.trybooking.com/BNTBP> or the link on the Parish website) – this is the preferred method, or

Emailing your booking request to [massrequest.stjudes@gmail.com](mailto:massrequest.stjudes@gmail.com), or

Calling the Parish Office (9763 7302) between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm Tuesday through to Friday. Let Elisa or Preethi know if you want to be pre-registered every week.

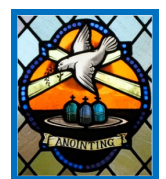
**Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion—Training**

Thank you to all Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for your continued support in these Ministries. A new Reader Roster for the period of March to the end of June 2021 has been sent—please check your email inbox. Printed copies are also available in the Sacristy.

A joint training session for **Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** will be held on **Saturday 13 March at 10am**. It is paramount that all Readers and Special Ministers attend the training session as there are some new practises that will be rolled out.

If you are interested to find out more about either of these ministries you are most welcome to attend by emailing [liturgy.stjudes@gmail.com](mailto:liturgy.stjudes@gmail.com)

**Anointing Mass for the Sick & Elderly**



There will be an **Anointing Mass** to be held on **Tuesday 9 March at 11am**. For those requiring assistance with transport please contact **Elisa** at the **Parish Office** on **9763 7302**.

- - -The Liturgy Team- - -

| <b>St Jude’s Parish—Liturgy Roster</b>                                      |                           |                                     |   |
|---|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| <i>1st Reading Ex 20:1-17, 2nd Reading 1 Cor 1:22-25, Gospel Jn 2:13-25</i> |                           |                                     |   |
|   | <b>March 6 / 7</b>        | <b>Saturday 6pm</b>                 | <b>Sunday 8.30am</b>                                |
|   | <b>Readers</b>            | Dinelle Hettiararchchi<br>Susan Lim | Millicent Miranda<br>Betsy Sojan                    |
|   | <b>Children’s Liturgy</b> |                                     | <b>Sunday 10.30am</b><br>Mary King<br>Roger Anthony |
|   |                           |                                     | <b>Sun 10.30am</b><br>Verona Bullock<br>Leeana Raj  |

*Thank you to all those who “Serve the Lord with Joy” by participating in these rosters.*

## Serve the Lord with Joy

**We pray for those who have died recently and extend our support and care to their families:**

Bishop Bede Heather, Arthur Ortego.

**And also to those whose anniversaries occur at this time:**

Rupert Arcilla, Linda Macmillan, Maria Gonsalves, George Harrop, Marie Lavoipierre, Christina Clarkson, Rozario Savariraj.



### A catch up with Sr Mary Brady

In chatting with Sr Mary recently, she made mention that due to COVID and some health issues she has been unable to catch up with people of St Jude's. Therefore, on **Wednesday 24th March** we have invited her to a special morning tea in the Parish Centre (10.30am-12 noon). This will give us the opportunity to thank her for all her work here in the parish as Pastoral Coordinator, but more importantly for the care, support and friendship she gave to so many parishioners. All are very welcome and we hope that many of you can join us for this celebration.

For catering purposes and to adhere to COVID Guidelines, those wishing to attend must **RSVP by Wednesday 17th March** by email to [pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com](mailto:pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com) or by phoning **Ann Doyle**

**(0402 904 678), Mary King (0438 644 425) or the Parish Office (9763 7302)** - please also indicate any dietary requirements.



### VINNIES OP SHOP 1821 FERNTREE GULLY RD, FERNTREE GULLY

The Opportunity Shop has lots of new items and good bargains. Take the opportunity to call in and have a browse. If you have any items in good condition you are welcome to drop them off. Drive down the left hand side of the shop and there is an area to drop off your items.



**Celebrate.  
Remember.  
Fight Back.**

**Knox Relay for Life—Supports the Cancer Council of Victoria**  
Alan Tudge (MP), Federal Member for Aston and Patron of the Knox Relay for Life is encouraging people in the community to support this event on **Saturday 13th March** beginning at **12 noon** and running until **10pm**. You can enter as a team or join Team

Tudge as an individual. **Relay for Life** has been running in communities around Australia for 20 years. The Knox event is held at the **Athletics Track in Knoxfield**. More detailed information and how to register can be found at:

<https://secure.fundraising.cancer.org.au/siteTR/RelayforLife>



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